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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.191**

Sir:

The Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed November 11, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-6 and 23-28.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b), the requisite fee of \$165.00 (Small Entity fee) to file the Notice of Appeal is enclosed. If the enclosed check is insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the balance required to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, referencing Attorney Docket No. 27585-022. A duplicate copy of this notice is enclosed.

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